

**MINUTES**  
**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE**  
**MIDDLE DISTRICT OF ALABAMA NORTHERN, DIVISION**

**HON. CHARLES S. COODY, MAG. JUDGE AT MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA**

**DATE COMMENCED: 12/7/06 AT 10:00 a.m. to 10:08 a.m.**

**DATE COMPLETED: 12/7/06 FTR Recorded**

NICOLE T. REED \*

Plaintiff \*

vs.. \* CASE NO. 2:06CV380-MHT-CSC \*

BIG LOTS STORES, INC. \*

Defendant \*

AUTHERINE CROSKEY \*

Plaintiff \*

vs.. \* CASE NO. 2:06CV485-MHT-CSC \*

BIG LOTS STORES, INC. \*

Defendant \*

<b>PLAINTIFF</b>	<b><u>APPEARANCES:</u></b>	<b>DEFENDANT</b>
Ms. Nicole Reed, Pro Se	*	
Ms. Autherine Croskey, Pro Se	*	Atty. Gregory L. Smith, Jr.

**COURT OFFICIALS PRESENT:**

COURTROOM DEPUTY: WANDA STINSON

LAW CLERK: WYNN D ALLEN

( X ) OTHER PROCEEDINGS: **ORAL RE: MOTION TO COMPEL**

**SEE MINUTES ATTACHED**

LOG OF PROCEEDINGS ELECTRONICALLY RECORDED			
Description	06cv380-MHT-CSC and 06cv485-MHT-CSC - Oral argument re: motion to compel		
Date	12/7/2006	Location	Courtroom 4B
Time	Speaker	Note	
10:00:17 AM	Court	Court convenes; parties in both cases are present; Discussions with Plntf Reed regarding discovery responses;	
10:00:45 AM	Ms. Reed	Response to not having respond to discovery request - in the process of finding a lawyer, didn't know how to respond; not sure how to answer the questions;	
10:00:53 AM	Court	Any success in finding a lawyer?	
10:00:53 AM	Ms. Reed	Response - No;	
10:01:12 AM	Court	Advised plntf Reed of her responsibility to respond to the discovery request; Discussion as to questions asked in the discovery request that could asked during depositions;	
10:02:33 AM	Atty. Smith	Response;	
10:02:43 AM	Court	They both worked for the store and got applications; Depositions might seem a more efficient way in getting the information you want;	
10:03:05 AM	Atty. Smith	Reponse;	
10:03:27 AM	Court	Response; Will extend the time for discovery to the end of January; Advised plaintiffs of responsibility to respond to discovery;	
10:06:02 AM	Atty. Smith	Adresses the court regarding concerns with the scheduling of depositions;	
10:06:05 AM	Court	Discussion with plaintiffs regarding taking depositions; Parties advised to get togethe to decide on a date for depositions; Reed advised to let counsel know how to contact her; Plaintiffs informed that they can take depositions too;	
10:08:14 AM	Atty. Court	Court will deny the motions to compel as moot with leave to refile; Court is recessed.	